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TITLE: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MACHINING CONNECTING RODS,  
AND CONNECTING RODS SO PRODUCED

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated  
November 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent  
application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this  
document.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this document.